

## STRIKE IS POSTPONED

Chicago Telegraphers Agree to Defer Action.

## ONE MORE WEEK GRACE GIVEN

Request from President S. J. Small Causes Delay in Walkout of Operators Scheduled for To-day—Officials Hope to Reach Some Agreement to Settle Differences.

Chicago, July 7.—A strike scheduled to take place to-morrow in the offices of the Postal and Western Union telegraph companies of Chicago was to-day postponed for one week, at the request of the national president, S. J. Small, who wired from San Francisco asking for such action by the local union.

The meeting was the most important ever held by the local union. When the chairman of the local executive committee asked that the strike vote be postponed for one week the wildest demonstration took place. Radical members almost succeeded in stampeding the meeting with catcalls of "cold feet," "cowards," and "weak ones," but when the action was explained to the rank and file, the vote for the postponement carried.

There was not a member of the executive board present who would admit that he had courage enough to appear before the next meeting and ask that a further postponement be granted.

"Unless the companies make good in agreeing to submit their case to Commissioner Neill, just as the union has agreed to, nothing can stop a walk-out next Monday," said a member of the national executive board. "There was every reason for granting the postponement asked, and we will assist in every way in bringing about mediation through the personal representatives of President Roosevelt, but one week is the limit."

## President Small's Message.

A telegram received from President Small had much to do with the consent to withhold hostilities. President Small said: "The situation grows more favorable daily. The Western Union officials agree to meet a committee of the union operators on Tuesday."

The action postponing the strike vote for one week provides for the calling of a special meeting Sunday, July 14. At this meeting it is understood that action will be taken either ratifying peace, in the event that mediation of the difficulties has been successful, or a declaration of war against the companies by the union operators, which will mean a spreading of the strike into the strongholds of the companies.

It is understood that Deputy President Koenigsmann has signed a document guaranteeing that no strike will be called until Commissioner Neill has had full knowledge of the intention of the union to strike; and on the other hand, President R. C. Clowry has guaranteed the commissioner that no discrimination will be made against any union man until he has been apprised of such discrimination.

## Await General Settlement.

The matter of the grievances against the Western Union office, in Chicago, in which W. W. Main had appointed a committee to confer with General Superintendent T. P. Cook, has been set aside pending the general settlement of the grievances held by the executive board of the international union.

Commissioner Neill will push his mediation efforts, beginning with to-morrow. Meetings have been arranged between the commissioner and T. P. Cook, representing the Western Union, and W. L. Capen, representing the Postal Company, and also with the members of the international executive board and General Secretary Wesley Russell.

## TELEGRAPHERS IN SESSION.

New York Union Discusses San Francisco and Chicago Situation.

New York, July 7.—The regular monthly meeting of Local No. 15, Commercial Telegraphers' Union, was held to-day at the Borough Park Clubhouse, Brooklyn, where reports from the various chapters were heard. The meeting was held behind closed doors.

It was stated that only local matters were taken up at the meeting, though there might have been some discussion about matters in San Francisco and Chicago, where all the members of the national executive committee were to-day, except R. J. Fowler, who is detained in New York by sickness.

## St. Louis Loyal to Small.

St. Louis, July 7.—Two hundred members of St. Louis Local No. 3, Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America, to-day unanimously passed a resolution expressing the utmost confidence in President S. J. Small and the general officers of the C. T. U. A., and expressing their willingness to obey their instructions at a moment's notice, without hesitation. In other words, if the national officers say strike, St. Louis will be tied up an instant after the walk-out order is flashed to the city.

## VIRGINIA APPLES FOR LONDON.

Twenty Thousand Barrels of Pippins Ordered by English Dealer.

Richmond, Va., July 7.—The largest order for Albemarle pippins ever placed in this city was received recently by C. E. Snyder, the Richmond fruit expert. The order comes from one of the most representative wholesale fruit merchants in England. It calls for twenty thousand barrels of Al pippins, which, at \$5.50, c. o. b. in London, would represent \$110,000.

Snyder is also in receipt of a five-thousand-barrel order of pippins from a firm in Copenhagen. This will be the first shipment his house has so far made to Denmark.

Death of Well-known Indiana Man. Greensburg, Ind., July 7.—Alfred P. Bone, a well-known citizen, long identified with this section of the State, died at noon to-day, aged seventy-one years. He had been in feeble health for some months, but the end came suddenly. He leaves a widow and five children—Mrs. May Parrish, of Greensburg; Scott C. Bone, of Washington; Alfred R. Bone, and Mrs. S. C. Morris, of Chicago, and John C. Bone, of Minneapolis. For twenty years he served as postmaster at Shelbyville, and was active in Republican politics. Afterward he engaged in the telephone business here, and developed the system in this part of the State. He retired from active life a few years ago. He was a member of the G. A. R., having served in the Thirty-third Indiana Regiment, and a prominent Mason.

Strangers in Washington will find desirable rooming and boarding houses advertised in The Herald.

## CAR RUNS MILE ON TIRES.

Fast Freight Train Has Miraculous Escape from Being Wrecked.

Middletown, N. Y., July 7.—The Erie Railroad narrowly escaped a disastrous and expensive freight wreck in this city this morning, and railroad men say that not once in a thousand times under like conditions could a wreck have been avoided.

The train was a fast freight, running forty miles an hour, composed of forty cars of beef, and, though the wheels of one car left the tracks, the couplings held and the car ran a mile on the ties, every once in a while jumping back on the rails and off again. The ties and dirt between the rails were gouged out and steel rails were chipped.

A brakeman discovered that the car was off the track and stopped the train.

## LINEMAN GETS BAD FALL.

Knocked from Telephone Pole by Shock from Live Wire.

Lynchburg, Va., July 7.—J. C. Parsons, a lineman in the service of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, was knocked from a platform on a telephone pole in this city last night by coming in contact with a live wire.

Parsons fell twenty-five feet, and sustained a fractured hip, as well as serious burns from the wire. He was removed to his home, and to-night it is thought he will recover.

## THIEF KILLS WOMAN

Drags Her from Window in Break for Freedom.

## JUMPS FROM A HIGH ROOF

Slides Down Clothes Pole When Mrs. Kolbner Attempts to Stop Him, with Fatal Results—Burglar Finally Captured After Exciting Chase Across House Tops.

New York, July 7.—Max Priebep and his brother Abe keep a clothing store at 350 Essex street and sleep in the rear. About 2:30 o'clock this morning Max awoke up and saw two men prowling around the room. Max jumped up and began shouting for the police at the top of his voice. One of the men made for the door leading into the front hallway. The other, whose name was subsequently learned to be Levine, after striking Max in the face, went through the rear window, taking the ash with him and sending a shower of broken glass into the back yard. A third man, who was in Abe's room, came away with \$3 in cash.

The man who went through the rear window ran across the yard, climbed a tree, and got into the tenement at 151 Norfolk street. He ran to the roof of the house. He found a number of people on the roofs of near-by tenements when he reached that of 151 Norfolk street. The crowd saw him and yelled. Levine leaped from the roof and grabbed a high clothes pole which stood near the house in the rear yard. He began to slide to the ground.

As he was passing the second floor, Mrs. Annie Kolbner poked her head out of the rear window to see what was the trouble. She saw Levine coming down the clothes pole, and reached out and caught hold of his trousers. Levine struck at the woman with one hand, but was unable to free himself.

According to the people in the neighborhood, he then grabbed the woman and pulled her by the hair. She lost her balance and went crashing to the pavement of the yard. She landed on her head, crushing her skull. Levine then slid down the pole and climbed over a fence into the rear yard of 149 Norfolk street. There the police found and arrested him.

Mrs. Kolbner was hurried to the hospital, where she died shortly after arrival. Priebep grappled with the thief who made for the front door, and held him until the police came.

At the station house he said he was Ellis Levine. He said the name of the third man was Harry Struhall.

## BRIGHTMAN'S BODY IS FOUND.

Professor of Mathematics Drowned in Long Island Sound.

New York, July 7.—When John Finerty, an attendant in the public bath at the foot of North First street, Williamsburg, discovered the body of a man dressed in a yachting costume floating past the dock in the East River this morning, he brought it ashore, and it proved to be that of Herbert F. Brightman, a professor of mathematics in the Bulkeley High School, in New London, Conn., who was drowned Tuesday from a catboat in Long Island Sound, while he and three of his friends were on their way to the Jamestown Exposition.

Prof. Brightman, who was twenty-six years old, was one of the most widely known residents of Fall River, Mass. He was graduated from the Brown University in 1894, and for a year afterward was a professor of mathematics in Bridgeport. Two years ago he became attached to the Bulkeley High School.

A week ago yesterday he and three friends, Messrs. Gold, Anderson, and Keeler, set out from New London in a 35-foot catboat for Jamestown. The boat belonged to Anderson. The intention of the party was to take the route through Long Island Sound, down the East River, and then down the Atlantic Coast. The four had agreed to move slowly, as they were in no hurry.

Tuesday afternoon, while the boat was in the sound, a few miles above the Stepping Stone lighthouse, a sudden swell caused the boat to lurch, and Brightman, who was sitting on the cabin house, was struck by the beam as it was swung around, and he fell into the water. He could not swim, and was drowned.

## Liquor Dealer Found Guilty.

Carlyle, Ill., July 7.—Edward Reener, a former saloonkeeper of this city, was found guilty of manslaughter in the Circuit Court here. Last May, Edwin Sharp, aged fifteen, drank a quart of gin in his place and died from the effects. The gin was bought for the boy by Albert Younger, but the court held that Reener should have prohibited the act.

## Ocean Steamships.

New York, July 7.—Arrived out-Princess Alice, at Bremen, from New York; St. Paul, at Cherbourg, from New York.

Sailed from foreign ports—Euxina, from Queenstown, for New York.

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## REPORTS ON LABOR

Civic Federation Commission Completes its Duties.

## FOUR UTILITIES EXAMINED

Prof. John R. Commons and Editor Sullivan Differ Somewhat Regarding Municipal Ownership—Investigations Extended Over Nearly Two Years—Policies Given as Key.

New York, July 7.—After an investigation extending over nearly two years, and including many of the principal cities both of the United States and Great Britain, the National Civic Federation Commission on Public Ownership and Operation has completed its duties. The reports on labor conditions are the first to be made public—one by Prof. John R. Commons, of Wisconsin University, and the other by Editor Sullivan, of the "Clothing Trades" Bulletin, of New York.

The report of Prof. Commons is more favorable to municipal ownership of public utilities than is that of Mr. Sullivan. Mr. Sullivan makes caustic references to political rottenness, evidence as to which he declares was conclusive in Syracuse, Allegheny, and Wheeling. Prof. Commons, on the other hand, holds that corruption under municipal control was no greater than under private ownership.

Four Utilities Examined. The commission has investigated the public and private operations of the four leading public utilities, gas, water, electric lighting, and power and street railways. In all the cities visited, both in America and Great Britain, fifteen members of the investigating committee sailed for Europe on May 22, last year, and returned to the United States in August.

The views expressed by Prof. Commons are in many respects favorable to municipal ownership. He finds, however, that the proper method of dealing with employees is the most difficult and critical problem of municipal ownership, and he favors recognition of organized labor as a safeguard against the pressure of outside (political) recommendations.

On this subject, he says, in part: "The proper method of dealing with employees, and the wages to be paid, offer peculiar opportunities for political and personal influence inconsistent with efficiency. Our investigations have shown that the strongest safeguard for a manager against the pressure of outside recommendations is the recognition of organized labor within his department."

Key to Whole Question. "I take it that the key to the whole question of municipal or private ownership is the question of politics. For politics is simply the question of getting and keeping the right kind of men to manage and operate the municipal undertakings, or to supervise, regulate, and bargain with the private enterprises."

In general, Prof. Commons finds common labor better paid by municipalities in America than by private companies. Mr. Sullivan sums up his observations with the conclusion that in all but the most poorly paid forms of labor and for transient employees municipalization has not raised the wages or improved working conditions of the employees above conditions in the private undertakings.

## TRIES TO CUT HIS THROAT

Stranger Makes Desperate Attempt to End Life in Norfolk, Va.

Speaks Wildly of Having Lost Forty Thousand Dollars in One Day.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Norfolk, Va., July 7.—"Forty thousand dollars lost in a day; it's all over now!" was the exclamation of a neatly-dressed, prosperous-looking middle-aged man, giving his name as William D. Smith, as he drew a keen-edged pocketknife from his pocket in the boarding-house of Mrs. J. T. Elliott, on Church street, and made a desperate effort to sever his jugular vein.

He was proceeding in the right way until Mrs. Elliott sprang on him, and, with all the strength that excitement and fear gave her, wrested the knife away from him. When Police Officer Jacobs responded to a call for help the man was trying to regain possession of the knife.

After he had been placed under arrest he sprang upon the officer and snatched his revolver, again trying to end his life, but the officer was too quick for him and soon regained possession of the gun.

Asked at the police station what his trouble was, Smith said "It is all in the evening paper," but nothing could be found in the paper in any way connected with Smith. He would not say where he came from. He went to the boarding-house yesterday morning. The police will make inquiry as to his sanity.

## RELIC OF REVOLUTION FOUND.

Ancient Sailor's Cutlass Uncearthed in West Virginia.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Cumberland, Md., July 7.—Charles H. W. Ryno, of Ruddle, Pendleton County, W. Va., several days ago, took to Franklin, W. Va., an old sailor's cutlass of Revolutionary design which he found imbedded along the South Branch of the Potomac, near his home, with nothing but the point exposed. Other than the handle having rotted off, the weapon is in a splendid state of preservation.

It is thought that the cutlass was brought to that locality after the battle of Kings Mountain, in which a detachment of British marines, armed with cutlasses, is said to have been taken part.

## Mrs. Julia Alexander Dead.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Charlottesville, W. Va., July 7.—Mrs. Julia Lane Alexander, widow of Richard A. Alexander, died this morning after a lingering illness. Six sons survive her: Richard W. and Walter W. of Charlottesville; Charles B. of Washington; and Lane B. of Clarksburg; also a sister, Mrs. A. C. Shepherd, and a brother, William Butler, of Shepherdstown. Mrs. Alexander was a daughter of the late Charles T. Butler, of Shepherdstown. Her remains will be interred here Tuesday morning.

## Police Chief Injured.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Fairmont, W. Va., July 7.—George Shumaker, chief of police, Fairmont, W. Va., may lose the sight of one eye from the explosion of a firecracker which some unidentified person threw into his face, evidently thinking it fun to explode fireworks in the face of the chief of police.

If you have any furnished rooms to rent, a want ad. in The Herald will bring you a good tenant.

## CHARLES ENDERS ORDAINED.

Ceremony Performed at St. John's German Evangelical Church.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Richmond, Va., July 7.—Charles Enders, a native of Richmond, was ordained to-day at St. John's German Evangelical Church. The ceremony of ordination, which took place in the evening, was conducted by the Rev. Oscar Guthe, of Baltimore, Md., assisted by the Rev. Timothy Lehman and the Rev. George Esmann, also of Baltimore. Mr. Enders preached at the morning service.

Mr. Enders will be in the Atlantic district and will be assigned to work either in Baltimore or Newark, N. J., in the autumn. Until September 1, however, when the Rev. Oscar Guthe will arrive to become pastor of St. John's, he will remain in charge of the work here.

## SAILOR SHOTS AT WOMAN.

Held at Norfolk, Va., Charged with Attempt to Murder.

Norfolk, Va., July 7.—A sailor from one of the Brazilian war ships now in this port, giving his name as Joe King, is in the Norfolk city jail, charged with attempting to murder Fanny Givens.

The man had fired one bullet from a pistol at the woman and was attempting to shoot again when Detective Spratt disarmed him.

## AUTO DRIVER KILLED

Train Smashes Speeding Car Into Kindling Wood.

HORANDT DIES; WIFE UNHURT

Daughter and Nephew Are Badly Bruised—Dead Man Saw Locomotive and Took Fatal Chance of Beating It Across Tracks—Machine One of Four on New Jersey Tour.

Keyport, N. J., July 7.—An Atlantic Highlands train on the Freehold and Atlantic Highlands Division of the Jersey Central Railroad struck an automobile carrying four persons, at Keyport, N. J., and the driver was killed.

Christopher Horandt, a ribbon manufacturer, of Paterson, who was driving the car, was thrown into a ditch and almost instantly killed. His nephew, Reinhardt Blinder, was badly hurt, and his daughter Ruth was severely bruised and shocked. His wife escaped, almost unharmed.

The escape of Mrs. Horandt was most remarkable. The automobile had just reached the crossing, when the train struck the forward part and whirled it around with such force that it was smashed to pieces, and all but Mrs. Horandt was thrown out. She remained imprisoned in the wreckage of the car, and when rescuers got to her they found that she was barely scratched.

## Auto Is One of Four.

The automobile, a 2-horsepower car, was one of four from the North Jersey Automobile Club, whose owners had gone to Asbury Park for over Sunday, and were returning home to Paterson. Mr. Horandt's machine, with his nephew on the front seat with him and his wife and daughter in the rear, was second in line, the first machine having crossed the tracks a hundred yards ahead of the Horandt car without seeing the train. The other cars were each about the same distance behind.

Owing to the burning of a trestle between Keyport and Lorillard, which was not repaired until late this afternoon, train schedules had to be abolished, and a number of extra trains were put on to handle the heavy summer business. The station at Keyport is very near the Broad street crossing. It is believed that Mr. Horandt saw the crossing signal and heard the bell ring, but thought the train would stop at the station, and took a chance on getting across the tracks.

## Car Hits Engine Pilot.

The automobile struck the side of the pilot, turned partly over, and then, owing to its being carried along by the train for a short distance, it righted itself and was dragged a few feet. Mr. Horandt was thrown upon his head, and then rolled into a ditch. His skull was fractured, and he was dead when he was picked up.

Ruth Horandt was thrown forty feet on one side of the automobile, and suffered only a sprained wrist and severe bruises. Reinhardt Blinder was thrown twenty-five feet in the opposite direction. His scalp was badly torn, and his skull was probably fractured.

## Horandt in Silk Business.

Paterson, N. J., July 7.—Christopher Horandt, killed to-day near Keyport, was connected with the silk business in this city all his life. He was forty-eight years old, and was born in Switzerland. He came to this country with his father when he was nine years old. His father started the Totten Silk Company, the son becoming a partner in the business soon after he had completed his education in the local schools.

## Killed at Asbury Park.

Asbury Park, N. J., July 7.—John H. Ryno, of Asbury Park, was run down here to-night by Dr. Lucas F. Donahue's 35-horsepower Panhard car, and later died at the Long Branch Hospital from injuries received in the collision.

Ryno, who is eighty-nine years old, was crossing the street diagonally when struck by the car, the wheels of which passed over his body.

Cyrus F. Axtell, the chauffeur, was arrested and held in bail.

## SEAMAN CLAPP RECOVERING.

Mexicans Charged with Stabbing Beloved Innocent.

Norfolk, Va., July 7.—Seaman Clapp, of the battle ship Ohio, who, it is alleged, was stabbed in the abdomen in a brawl at Pine Beach, early yesterday morning, by Second Seagrass, Antonio Gomez and Amade Velazquez, of the Mexican National Band, now playing at the exposition, will recover. The charge against his assailants will probably be heard by Justice Backus to-morrow morning.

Investigation by the exposition Powhatan Guard and county officers to-day produced no evidence against the Mexicans, but tended rather to establish their innocence, and it is now almost a foregone conclusion that they will be dismissed.

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## WAR ON GROCER SHOPS

Temperance Folk Urge High License for Alexandria.

## RECHABITES HEAD MOVEMENT

Campaign Against Saloons Will Be Launched in Near Future—Bernard R. Cline Passes Away After Lingering Illness—George W. Stearns Buried in Bethel Cemetery.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU, (Bell Telephone 113)

Alexandria, Va., July 7.—A movement having for its purpose the increase of the license for the sale of liquor and the reduction of the number of saloons in this city has been projected by temperance people in Alexandria, and, it is stated, will soon be actively launched.

The lead in the matter, it is understood, will be taken by Perseverance Tent of Rechabites, which has appointed a committee to make an investigation of local conditions in that line. It was said this evening by a person prominently identified with the movement that it will probably be brought to the attention of the city council in the next few weeks.

The proposition will be to increase the corporation license from \$100, which is the present cost, to \$250 or \$300. The State license now being paid by the dealers is \$500. It was predicted that the measure will meet with success, and that it will result in reducing the number of bars in Alexandria at least by one-half.

There are now about seventy licensed saloons in this city. One consequence expected from the proposed change, those interested state, is the elimination of many of the smaller grocer shops of the city.

## Bernard R. Cline Dead.

Bernard R. Cline, a Confederate veteran, died this morning at his home, 214 North Fairfax street, after a lingering illness. He was sixty-eight years of age, and was a native of Hagerstown, Md.

At the outbreak of the civil war Mr. Cline, who had then made his home in this city, enlisted in Kemper's Battery. He was later transferred to the Fifth Virginia Cavalry, as a member of which he was severely wounded at the battle near Brandy Station. His wife and six children survive him. His children are William W. Cline, Robert W. Cline, Walter T. Cline, Bernard B. Cline, Mrs. Joseph H. Byrne, and Mrs. Robert Edgington. Capt. James H. Cline, of Richmond, is a brother of the deceased. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

## George W. Stearns Buried.

The funeral of George W. Stearns, whose death occurred Friday, took place this afternoon from his late residence, 102 South St. Asaph street. The services were attended by Alexandria Council, Junior Order United Americans, of which the deceased was a member. Rev. Joseph R. Sevier officiated. The interment was in Bethel Cemetery.

The remains of Mrs. Minnie Elliott, whose death occurred yesterday at the home of her husband, C. R. Elliott, in Philadelphia, will be brought to this city to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, and interred in the Methodist Protestant Cemetery. The services will be conducted by Rev. Charles D. Balla, of the M. E. Church South. The deceased was formerly Miss Minnie Cowling, of this city.

## Corner Stone to Be Laid.

Arrangements have been made for the laying of the corner stone of the George R. Hill Memorial Building, M. E. Church South, next Thursday evening, at 6 o'clock. Several addresses, it is expected, will be delivered.

## Addresses Railway Conductors.

W. M. Clark, third vice president of the Order of Railway Conductors, visited the local division of the railroad to-day last evening and delivered an interesting address along industrial lines.

Exercises in observance of children's day were held this evening at the Methodist Protestant Church before a large congregation.

A meeting of Perseverance Tent, Order of Rechabites, will be held to-morrow evening in the hall of the organization, when addresses will be delivered by several visitors.

## PARAGRAPHS BY WIRE.

Dover, Del., July 7.—No trace of Ambrose Meritt, the Lopus farmer who disappeared Wednesday, has been found.

Shenandoah, Pa., July 7.—The eight-year-old daughter of John Devine was probably fatally burned while lighting a candle.

Milan, July 7.—Twenty-eight excursionists, bound for Lake Como, were injured to-day, four fatally, in a railway collision near here.

London, July 7.—The Church of St. Peter in the Pool in old Broad street has been sold at auction. It was sold for \$180,000, about \$200 a square foot.

Rome, July 7.—Giuseppe Puccini, the Italian composer, has chosen an American subject for the opera he purposes to write. The old natives of California will be his characters.

Sumbury, Pa., July 7.—Joshua Sykes, seventy-two years old, left the hospital to-day. He was hurt in the recent wreck. This is his third wreck, all within a few miles of each other.

London, July 7.—George Thompson, charged with burglary, managed to pick the lock of his cell with a shoemaker, and was quietly taken out of the police station, when he was seen and retaken.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 7.—Just as he placed his hands on the power handle to start a West Penn street car at Fifth avenue and Locust street, McKeesport, Harry Connell, aged twenty-eight, a workman, was struck by the car.

Fairfield, Ill., July 7.—The village board of Golden Dale, this county, has passed an ordinance prohibiting dancing within the corporate limits of the village, imposing a penalty of \$25 for the first offense and \$50 for the second.

Wilmington, Del., July 7.—Isaac DeLoe, colored, and William Davis, colored, farm hands near Newark, Del., met death by fire about midnight Saturday. They were sleeping in a barn which was struck by lightning and burned.

Topeka, Kans., July 7.—The Supreme Court decided that the city of Wichita has no right to exclude a child by reason of its color from any of its public schools. In 1897 Wichita passed an ordinance providing separate schools for negro children.

Scranton, Pa., July 7.—In an attempt to imitate a fire-eater when he saw at a sidewalk, John Cusker, of Luzerne street, placed a large firecracker between his teeth last night and lighted it. When the smoke cleared away Casey was minus four teeth.

Oskosh, Wis., July 7.—The Winnebago Traction Company, organized for more than \$300,000, and operating a city system of thirteen miles and two interurban routes of twenty-three miles, between Oskosh and Neesh, passed into the hands of a receiver yesterday.

Sellersville, Del., July 7.—Just as Miss Laura Heuser was knocking a fly from a horse's back the animal took fright and ran away. The kniver of the following machine to which the animal was attached caught her about the ankles and one foot will have to be amputated.

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## PROSPERITY TO LAST.

DECLARES OIL KING

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pany on 1,402 counts of the indictment, represents less than one-half of its earnings for one year. The period covered by the indictment, however, was eighteen months, so this maximum fine would hardly be construed as a "cruel and unusual punishment" by a court of last resort.

As Judge Landis is desirous of closing the oil case as quickly as possible, he may not consider the documents to be submitted to him. The information secured yesterday may be deemed sufficient, and without further investigation he may impose the penalty when the tariffs which H. E. Felton was ordered to produce are submitted to the court to-morrow.

The implied purpose of Judge Landis in bringing out clearly the exact status of the 10-cent rate was little to strengthen the record in the case. Little, if anything, regarding this rate had been said at the trial. Apparently it was purposely withheld, as to introduce it before a jury might have injected error into the case.

From some sources in government of fieldwork, it is said that Judge Landis has his final order in the case ready, with the exception of inserting the amount of the fine.

## OIL KING IS ANGERED.

Almost Suffocated in the Cleveland Union Station.

Cleveland, July 7.—John D. Rockefeller had a narrow escape from suffocation by smoke when he arrived in Cleveland this morning from Chicago.

The union station, where he alighted, was filled with the smoke of nearly a dozen locomotives, and the oil king could hardly see his way from the Pullman. Drawing his handkerchief from his pocket, he placed it over his nose and eyes and made his way to the open air, where he delivered a philippic on the union station.

Rockefeller and his valet were driven to Forest Hill in